"The South 40"
by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

This past week we were in Milwaukee attending the annual meeting of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents. So our comments this week will be about the things we saw and farms visited.

No question - there's a tremendous corn crop in the West. Everyone we talked with were talking about 100 plus bushels per acre. An agent from Iowa said that corn land this year rented for as much as $125 per acre.

A luncheon speaker from International Harvester Company said - "Don't you forget that $3 corn and $6 soybeans are just as important to us as it is to every farmer."

We'll harvest the highest yield of corn and soybeans in America's history. As late as 6 p.m. Saturday combines were in full swing in the soybean fields across Northern Ohio.

The black prairie soils of the corn belt with a top soil of 40 inches thick is ideal for commercial farming. I was on one farm that had two 50' x 300' slatted floor bunk feeders for finishing steers. This farmer was quite proud of the fact that in 1939 he was a tenant farmer. This year he owns 980 acres and rents an additional 80 acres. 850 acres is in continuous corn and the remainder in pasture for grazing yearling steers.

Each of the feeding floors will handle 480 steers. He had a load of choice steers going out the day I was there selling for $50.50 and had bought replacement yearlings out of Kentucky for $33.

I was impressed with the newness of his field equipment; so I asked how often he traded. He said my son graduated from college last year and he takes care of this equipment like it was a new car - he washes, waxes each piece of equipment and if a scratch is on it he repaints; this equipment is at least four years old. It looked as if it had been delivered from the dealer that morning. I felt that this was certainly a good example of preventive maintenance. He pointed out that when it comes time to work he didn't want any problems. At corn planting time they plant 250 acres a day with a 12-row corn planter in fields that are a mile long. Corn is planted at 27,000 kernels per acre and they hope for a stand of 22 to 24,000 stalks. Their average yield is 157 bushels.

The manure is collected under the slatted floor and spread twice a year - once following corn harvest and again just before planting. They spread the one million gallons of manure in four days using a 3000 gallon spreader.

On another farm which had 4000 acres - 2200 acres of seed corn, 1000 beef cattle and finished 2000 pigs.

I suggested to this grower that one of the problems our growers have is lack of uniformity of corn seed. That all medium flats would not fit the same plate and it would appear that this could be corrected. He said, "No way - corn is graded by width and thickness, but there is no way to grade on length and this is the problem."

Then there was a visit to a dairy farm that milks 180 cows, grows 800 corn for cash sales, has 8 Harvester units and three conventional units. When this dairyman wasn't working his corn or taking care of the cattle he played a French horn is a symphony orchestra. He had three hired persons helping operate the 1600 acre farm.

Well we could go on but there's no doubt that agriculture is a vitual industry to America and to the world. This minority group of farmers, 4% of our population, play an important role in welfare of everyone. I was happy to be a part of this magnificant industry.

PRECIPITATION:

Last Week	0
Month of Sept.	9.32
Nor. for Sept.	3.79
This Month	0
This Year	55.84
Nor. for this Year	40.65

Hollywood

Mr. and Mrs. Chan Simpkins of Mannassas have been visting relatives of friends recently in Appomattox.

Rev. Paul Balthaser, Mr. David Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Sheets visited Mr. and Mrs. George Jennings and family recently.

Mrs. H. W. Jenkins came home Sunday from the hospital. We pray she may soon be well.

Mr. Walker Webb returned home Saturday from the hospital. We all wish for him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Ryland Mayberry of Newport News, and her mother, Mrs. Roy St. John, of Charlotte Court House, were visitors Saturday afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Deaner and family.

Mr. Elmo Banton of Mechanicsville, spent Saturday with his mother, Mrs. C. R. Banton.

Misses Mabel and Thelma Forbes of Richmond visited Mrs. M. L. Covington Sunday afternoon. Rev. Paul Balthaser called in this home Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Mattie C. Franklin recently visited in the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McFall and family, of Lynchburg.

We are so glad to hear Mr. Norvall Bagby is home from the hospital. We hope he may continue to improve.

Mrs. Mary Bagby recently received word that her great nephew, Jimmie Bondurant of Marietta, Ohio, had been badly hurt playing football. He is a patient in Ohio State University Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. Our prayers are for him to have a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Edna Smoot and Mrs. Lynwood Wilmer of Madison Heights were visitors Thursday afternoon of Mrs. C. R. Banton. Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Webb visited Mrs. Banton Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Gilliam of Farmville, spent a few days last week with their sister, Mrs. W. T. Covington and visited other relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. Otis Smith attended the Smith family reunion in Halifax Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wingfield visited Mrs. Wingfield brothers, Walker and Clem Woodall and their families Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Grover Beasley, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Austin and Tom were visitors of Mrs. C. R. Banton Sunday afternoon and night.

Mr. and Mrs. Chan Simpkins, Mrs. Ruth Tweedy, Mrs. Thelma Caldwell, Mrs. Nell Threasher and Mrs. Dot Reynolds called in the home of Mrs. Mary Bagby Wednesday afternoon. They visited Woodwood Church where they were raised up and it brought back many happy memories.

Mr. and Mrs. James Waldron of Bedford, visited Mrs. Waldron brothers, Walter and Rufus Wingfield, and their families last week.

Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Lisa and Mrs. Mary Bagby called in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Woodall and family and Mr. H. W. Jenkins Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watson entertained Saturday night in honor of their daughter April's first birthday. Besides Mr. and Mrs. Watson and son, William, those present were Mr. and Mrs. Willie Watson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield, Mrs. Larry Justis and Jason, Mrs. Kenneth Deaner, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Lisa, Miss Julia Wingfield and Mrs. Mary Bagby.

ROCKS

OCTOBER 6 - First frost came last week. Farmers are getting ready to sow wheat, saving hay and picking corn.

A number attended the shower given Audrey Almond and Nancy Dawson on Monday night. They received many nice and useful gifts. Rev. Donald Wagner was up near Washington last Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Samuel Martin, Jr. went to see a doctor in Lynchburg Wednesday afternoon. A speedy recovery is wished her.

Teresa Elder, Joanne Elder and Susan Hamlin are working at the new furniture plant at Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lowe, of Roanoke, called to see Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Roaqch awhile on Friday afternoon.

Congratulations to Ruby Almond who won a flower from WTTX on Friday.

Pauline Baldwin, of Farmville, enroute home from Lynchburg, called by to see Cassie Baldwin of Pamplin awhile Monday morning.

The Rocks Quartet took part in the Piedmont Market Hog and Trade Show held at the Farmville Livestock Market Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Toby Inge took Mrs. Clara Garrett and Mrs. Alice Jackson to Farmville last Friday. The latter went to get eye glasses.

Joanne Elder, Cassie Baldwin and Tommy Harris attended the Homecoming at Elon Church at Pamplin on Sunday.

Sympathy is extended Mrs. B. B. Harris in the death of her brother, Mr. Dunn, over the week end.

Stonewall

"Man looketh on the outward appearance but the Lord looketh on the heart." I Sam. 16:7

Mr. and Mrs. David King and son, Henry, of Michigan, and Mrs. Mildred Blankenship of Lynchburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. Hatcher King Friday. On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Max Conway, Mrs. I. B. Wheeler and Mrs. Hazel Gillaspie also visited them.

Mrs. Hazel Gillaspie was

The Rocks Quartet went to Altavista to sing with the Revelations at their homecoming on Sunday at 2 p.m. and to Crewe Baptist Church that night.

A number of the youth went to Williamsburg on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade West of North Carolina were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Glen McIntosh and Melinda on Sunday.

A number went to the Pottery Shop in Williamsburg Monday.

Melinda McIntosh and Betty Garrett were singing at Liberty Church Sunday night.

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Elder and Patricia attended homecoming at Fairview Christian Church in Lynchburg on Sunday.

The Rocks W.M.U. and B.Y.W.'s will serve lunch to the Fall W.M.U. Group I meeting here at Rocks on Wednesday. The guest speaker will be Samuel James, missionary from Vietnam. Let's have a good representation of our own ladies present.

The Prayer, Praise and Song Service for Training Union was well attended Sunday night. The covered dish supper was great. Many had a part in this service and received a blessing. Where are you on Sunday night?

The 171st Appomattox Baptist Associational meeting will begin at Beulah Baptist Church on the 16th at 7:30 and resuming at the Spout Spring Baptist Church on the 17th at 9:45 a.m. Have your church represented at this meeting.

Our Fall Revival at Rocks will begin on Sunday night, Oct. 19, at 7:30 p.m. and our guest evangelist will be the Rev. James O. Weaver, pastor of the Pinehurst Baptist Church in Richmond.

A number of Acteens will go to Spout Spring for their associational meeting Monday. Tuesday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler attended the funeral of her sister-in-law, Mrs. J. F. Alvis, Saturday afternoon in Lynchburg. She died of a heart attack. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Jones took them.

Sunday at Hebron we honored our oldest regular attendant of Sunday School and church by singing Happy Birthay to Mr. Melvin Stratton who was 88 on Monday. We wish him many more years with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Lathan Haley, of Roanoke, spent the week end with Mr. Crawford and Osborne Davidson.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carson visited her sister Sunday.

Mr. Ben Wheeler spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler.

Reminder

All members of the Young Hearts Club who would like to ride our float, Saturday morning, October 11, please be at the Appomattox Primary School at 9 o'clock.

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...ned Clarence H. ...of the church, ...the double ring ...A program of ...music was presented by ...Garrett, organist, ...ph D. Reynolds, ...ist, soloist. Vocal ...cluded "Whither ..., "Walk Hand in ...ding Vows," and ..., Go with God."

...marriage by her ... bride wore a ...of white satin ...-fitted neckline ...sleeves, matching the ...full length sleeves ...train. The bride ...carried a front pleat ...veil and a shaped ...of forming a self ...carried a colonial ...of a white bridal ...ered in white ...es with white ...ons, white mini... ...ns, and baby's ...with white lacy

...L. Goodrich and ...Deaner, both of ...sisters of the ...matrons of honor. ...were Miss Linda C. ...Appomattox, Mrs. ...ert of Rustburg, ...argaret F. Bey... ...of the bride, of

...nts wore identi... ...length gowns of ...and green floral ...loose fitting, ...ed gowns were ...the front into a ...the waistline ...featuring a sash ...The gowns had a ...line and short ...gathered at the ...oor attendants ...all bouquets of ...ure carnations separated by pink sweetheart roses filled in with baby's breath and accented with pink streamers. The bridesmaids carried colonial bouquets of this miniature carnations separated by pink sweetheart roses filled in with baby's breath and accented with pink streamers.

E. A. Culverhouse of Lynchburg was best man, and groomsmen were Thomas R. Opie of Staunton, Charles T. Knighton of Salem, Thomas E. F.Towe of Charlottesville, and W. Timothy Ricks of Williamsburg. Rodney W. Deaner of Appomattox, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer.

The mother of the bride wore a rose colored street length dress with a V-shaped neckline and collar.

The mother of the bridegroom wore a blue-gray street length dress with a high neckline. Both mothers wore "Forever Yours" red rose corsages.

Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds entertained with a reception at the Woodman Lodge Hall.

The bride graduated from Phillips Business College and attended Central Virgina Community College.

The bridegroom graduated from Davidson College and received a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of Georgia. He is assistant to the city manager for Operation in Lynchburg.

After a wedding trip to Hilton Head Island, S. C., the couple will live in Lynchburg.

Couple Entertained

Miss Debbie Caldwell and Mr. John T. "Plicky" Williams were honored Friday night, the third of October with a party given by Miss Nancye Mathews at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Mathews.

Guests attending included Mr. and Mrs. David R. Caldwell, parents of the bride, the wedding party and other friends and relatives of the honored couple.

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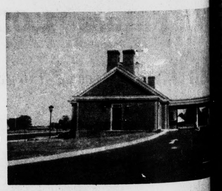

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Pamplin

Mrs. Howard T. Williams, Jr. returned home from Virginia Baptist Hospital last Monday after undergoing back surgery.

A large crowd attended the homecoming at Elon Baptist Church last Sunday.

Mrs. C. V. Wingfield, Lynchburg, visited relatives last week end.

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Society News

Dr. and Mrs. Braxton Gordon, and Mrs. John and Sena Pell of New Martinsville, W. Va., and Miss Lennie Gordon of Appomattox, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Gordon. Luncheon guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon were Miss Margaret Davis of Richmond; Miss Sally Gordon Stocks of Charlottesville; Mr. J. L. Gordon and daughter, Claudia and Mrs. Mary Sue Gordon, Appomatox.

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Mrs. Cornelia Connor of Halifax, visited Mrs. Mary Sue Gordon last Monday.

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Mr. Pat Godsey has re-entered the Virginia Baptist Hospital in Lynchburg.

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Mrs. W. R. Stratton and Mrs. A. A. Babcock attended the funeral of their cousin, Rocier Martin of Ronceverte, W. Va., on Monday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Eston Harvey, of Falls Church, spent the week end in Appomattox visiting relatives and friends.

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Mrs. Winnie Akers, of Arlington, spent the week end with Mrs. A. A. Babcock.

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Miss Mackie Paulette is a patient in the Lynchburg General Hospital.

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Russell Jamerson is a patient in the Virginia Baptist Hospital.

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E. W. Paulette, Jr., a student at Bluefield College, spent the week end at his home with his mother, Mrs. Frances H. Paulette.

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Miss Linda Terry and Tommy Johnson are spending this week in the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Edmond Terry of Evergreen. The Terry Johnson wedding will be an event of Saturday, October 11, at the Evergreen Baptist Church.

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Mrs. Eugenia Evans has returned to her home at Evergreen after spending a few days in Roanoke visiting in the home of relatives.

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Bill Noble, of Madison College, spent the week end at his home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Noble.

Luncheon Honors Bridal Party

Mrs. Kathleen Caldwell honored Miss Debbie Caldwell and her bridesmaids with a luncheon on October 4, 1975 at her home.

Guests included Mrs. David R. Caldwell, mother of the bride; Mrs. Edith Williams, mother of the bridegroom; Mrs. William Thorne; Mrs. Annette Williams, Mrs. Robert Williams, Miss Nancye Mathews, Miss Sue Cedar, Mrs. Joel Carnefix and Mrs. Henry Gibson.

OCTOBER IS RESCUE SQUAD MONTH

MRS. JOHN THOMAS WILLIAMS
the former Miss Deborah Kay Caldwell

Wed In Double Ring Ceremony

The marriage of Miss Deborah Kay Caldwell to John Thomas Williams took place Saturday evening at 7:30 in the Appomattox Court House Presbyterian Church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David R. Caldwell and the bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Edith Morgan Williams, all of Appomattox, and the late George S. Williams.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mrs. D. E. Caldwell, Jr. of Appomattox and Mrs. W. D. Torrence of Lynchburg. The groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Megginson of Appomattox.

The Rev. Cecil Dalton, pastor of the church, officiated at the double ring ceremony. A program of nuptial selections was presented by Mrs. Joel D. Carnefix, aunt of the bride, and Mrs. Henry Gibson, vocalist. Given in marriage by her father the bride wore a dress fashioned of candlelight peau de soie and venice lace. A bibb of lace appliqued on the empire bodice, which is finished with a high Victorian neckline and leg of mutton sleeves. A cummerbund of peau de soie encircles the high rise waistline and ends in a bow in back. Full floor length skirt ending in a chapel train and a deep band of lace finishes the hemline. The veil was an elbow length of silk illusion, attached to a Tudor lace cap. The bride carried a bouquet of pink starburst pom poms, white butterfly roses, German statice, showered with Jacqueline roses and centered with a bridal orchid.

Mrs. William D. Thorne of Fairfax, sister of the bride, was matron of honor and attendants were Mrs. Mrs. Robert Williams and Mrs. Donald Williams, both of Appomattox and sisters-in-law of the bridegroom, Miss Susan Cedar of Fredericksburg and Miss Nancye Mathews, of Richmond. The attendants wore full floor length identical scarlet dresses with empire bodice finished with a high neckline and butterfly sleeves. They carried nosegay bouquets of pink starburst pom poms, German stattice with Jacqueline roses and long pink velvet ribbon.

George S. Williams of Appomattox was his brother's best man and ushers were Robert Williams and Donald Williams, brothers of the bridegroom, David R. Caldwell, Jr., brother of the bride, and Stephen Wilson, all of Appomattox.

Miss Denise Drinkard and Master Dennis W. Drinkard, Jr., niece and nephew of the bridegroom, were flower girl and ring bearer. Miss Drinkard wore a gown of candlelight satin fashioned after the bride's gown.

The bride's mother wore a floor length gown of blue floral print, and the bridegroom's mother wore a floor length mint green gown.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell entertained with a reception at the Falling River Country Club.

Wedding Party

Mr. and Mrs. Joel David Martin Jr. were honored Saturday Evening, October the 4th, when his parents Capt. (Ret. USAF) and Mrs. Joel David Martin Sr. of Dogwood Circle, Appomattox entertained with a Wedding Party.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Martin was an event of September 8,1975 in Lynchburg, Virginia. Mrs. Martin is the former Linda Lou Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Allen of Appomattox. The couple are making their home in Lynchburg, Virginia.

Approximately fifty guests were present to honor the couple and shower them with gifts.

Family Reunion

The family of the late Mr. & Mrs. J. N. Richardson will have their family reunion Sunday, Oct. 19, at 12:30 at the Piney Ridge Methodist Church, Pamplin, Va. All families and friends are invited to come and bring a picnic lunch.

MRS. LARRY RAY SHANABERGER
the former Miss Martha Faye McCormick

Wed In Evening Ceremony

The marriage of Miss Martha Faye McCormick to Larry Ray Shanaberger took place at 7 o'clock Saturday evening in Maple Grove Baptist Church at Gladstone.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Welton McCormick of Gladstone, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth Shanaberger of Rustburg. The Rev. Don Bryant, pastor of the church, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride was escorted and given in marriage by her father. Miss Susie Louise McCormick of Gladstone was maid of honor and attendants were Mrs. Joyce Robertson, sister of the bride, and Miss Melinda Robertson, niece of the bride, both of Gladstone; Mrs. Carol Dukta and Miss Kathy Shanaberger, both of Lynchburg, and Miss Cheryl Shanaberger of Rustburg, sisters of the bridegroom, Miss Alease Nichols of Bedford and Miss Patricia Hurt of Lynchburg.

Mr. Shanaberger was his son's best man and ushers were Robert Shanaberger of Chatham, cousin of the bridegroom, David Robertson of Gladstone, nephew of the bride, Wayne Turner and Bailey Waller of Lynchburg and Donald Harris and Charles Sale of Gladstone.

Miss Joan Robertson of Gladstone, and Miss Jennifer Lynn McCormick of Appomattox, nieces of the bride, were flower girls and Todd Shanaberger of Chatham, nephew of the bridegroom, was ring bearer.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. McCormick entertained with a reception in the church social hall.

The bride is a graduate of Appomattox High School and Ralph's Va. School of Cosmetology.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Climax High School.

After a wedding trip to the Smoky Mountains the couple will live in Lynchburg.

LEGION AUXILIARY TO MEET

Unit 104, American Legion Auxiliary will meet October 14 at 7:45 p.m. in the American Legion Building. Election of officers will be held and plans for the year developed. It is hoped that all members will be present.

Luncheon Honors Bride-Elect

Miss Ann Barton Ellett was guest of honor at a bridal luncheon at Hotel Weyanoke, Saturday, Sept. 28 at 1 p.m. in Farmville, Va.

The guests were Miss Ellett's attendants, mother of the bride-elect, Mrs. Annie Torrence Ellett, Miss Cecil Torrence, aunt of the bride. Out of town guests included Mrs. H. A. Torrence, grandmother of the bride, Mrs. Nelwyn Morris, Miss Sandy Jamerson and Mrs. Ann Davis, all of Appomattox.

Miss Ellett was presented a corsage and gift of china by her hostesses, Mrs. Helen Coleman and Mrs. Catherine Robertson, both aunts of the bride-elect.

Miss Ellett and Larry Bowling will be married October 18, 1975 at Crewe Baptist Church, Va.

Miss Ellett is the grandaughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Torrence of Appomattox, Va.

After Rehearsal Party Honors Couple

Miss Debbie Caldwell and Mr. John T. "Plicky" Williams were honored on Friday, October 3, with an after rehearsal party given by Mrs. Edith Williams, mother of the bridegroom, in the fellowship hall of the Appomattox House Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Dennis Drinkard and Mrs. George Williams were hostesses for the evening.

The buffet dinner guests included Mr. and Mrs. David R. Caldwell, parents of the bride; Mrs. Kathleen Caldwell, grandmother of the bride, and the wedding party.

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